

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF ROMANCE LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

Boylston Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138



<http://rll.fas.harvard.edu>
Tel. (617) 495-2546

November 17, 2016

In recent days, members of the Romance Languages and Literatures department have been verbally harassed in and around campus on account of their immigrant status. One member in particular was assaulted with hot coffee and harassed with racial slurs just outside of the Harvard Yard.

In the face of these shocking and abhorrent events, we write to express our unconditional support for our students, our staff, our colleagues, our friends.

We will not be intimidated by these cowardly attacks and we will stand in vigorous support of any member of our community affected by or concerned with the racist, xenophobic, misogynistic state of affairs sanctioned by the most recent presidential election. We strongly condemn these and all acts of violence, these and all acts of hateful speech.

We stand united in defense of immigrant rights,

Mariano Siskind, Professor and Chair
Virginie Greene, Professor
Sergio Delgado, Associate Professor
Mayra Rivera, Professor
Annabel Kim, Assistant Professor
María Luisa Parra, Senior Preceptor
Mike Holmes, Department Administrator
Humberto Delgado, Graduate Student
Grégoire Menu, Graduate Student
Emma Zitzow-Childs, Graduate Student
Tuo Liu, Graduate Student

Daniel Aguirre-Oteiza, Assistant Professor
Sylvaine Guyot, Professor
Jeffrey Schnapp, Professor
Tom Conley, Abbott Lawrence Lowell Professor
Gabriela Poma, Graduate Student
John Welsh, Graduate Student
Kacey Carter, Graduate Student
Antonio J. Arraiza Rivera, Teaching Assistant and Alumnus
John D'Amico, Graduate Student
Anthony Humberto Otey Hernández, Graduate Student
Alice Jardine, Professor
Josiah Blackmore, Nancy Clark Smith Professor
Doris Sommer, Ira and Jewell Williams Professor
Rachel L. Combs-González, Graduate Student
Luis M. Girón Negrón, Professor
Adriana Gutiérrez, Senior Preceptor
Alina Lazar, Graduate Student
Caroline D. Laurent, Teaching Assistant and Alumna
Françoise Lionnet, Professor
Julianne VanWagenen, Graduate Student
Amelia Kikue Linsky, Graduate Student
Ifigenia Gonis, Graduate Student
Hannah Weaver, Graduate Student
Johanna Damgaard Liander, Senior Preceptor
Nikhita Obeegadoo, Graduate Student
Emily Epperson, Graduate Student
Elvira G. Di Fabio, Senior Preceptor
Christopher Brown, Alumnus
Nicole Inostroza, Graduate Student
Cristina García Navas, Graduate Student
Lorgia García-Peña, Assistant Professor
Chiara Trebaiocchi, Graduate Student
María Gómez Lara, Graduate Student
Javier Suárez Trejo, Graduate Student
Francesco Erspamer, Professor
Ernest Hartwell, Graduate Student
Max Seawright, Graduate Student
Maiara Knihs, Graduate Student
Ignacio Azcueta, Graduate Student

Rodrigo del Río, Graduate Student
José Ángel De León González, Graduate Student
Mary Gaylord, Sosland Family Professor
Elizabeth S. Lagresa-González, Graduate Student
Kathy Richman, Director of Undergraduate Studies and Lecturer
Frannie Lindsay, Graduate Coordinator
Cathy Downey, Undergraduate Program Coordinator
Kathy Coviello, Finance/Events Coordinator
Matthew Constanti, Staff Assistant
Jonathan Solarte, Graduate Student
Corrado Confalonieri, Graduate Student
Giorgia Corti, Teaching Assistant
Luca Politi, Graduate Student
Madeleine Wolf, Graduate Student
Katherine Killough, Language Program Coordinator
Luis F. López González, Graduate Student
Anna White-Nockleby, Graduate Student
Matthew Griffith, Graduate Student
Matthew T. Collins, Graduate Student
Janet Beizer, Professor
Zarina Noorani, Temporary Graduate Program Coordinator
Natalie Ramirez, Graduate Student
Bronia Greskovicova-Chang, Teaching Assistant
Alberto Castillo Ventura, Graduate Student
Matthieu Glaumaud-Carbonnier, Graduate Student
David Francis, Teaching Assistant and Alumnus
Ana Paula Kojima Hirano, Graduate Student
Lucas Mertehikian, Graduate Student
Violeta Banica, Graduate Student
Mehdi Izadi, Graduate Student
Bahij Tamer, Graduate Student
Eugenio Lanzas Teaching Assistant
Andrea Kupski-Keane, Staff Assistant
Matthew Barfield, Graduate Student
Wilnomy Pérez, Graduate Student
Nicole Mills, Senior Preceptor
Ericka Knudson, Preceptor
Étienne Baudel, Teaching Assistant
Lino Pertile, Professor

Thenesoya Vidina Martín de la Nuez, Graduate Student

Viviane Gontijo, Senior Preceptor

Diana Sorensen, James F. Rothenberg Professor

Maria Celeste Moreno Palmero, Preceptor

Adam Muri-Rosenthal, Lecturer

Christie McDonald, Smith Professor

Verena Conley, Professor